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**Response to Amendment filed March 8, 2004**

The reply filed on March 8, 2004 (paper no. 9) is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The Applicant's reply does not comply with 37 CFR 1.111(b) because the remarks do not specifically point out how claims 1-4 and 6-9 are patentable over the combination of Michisa in view of Recommendation X.734 and Novik. The applicants' merely state that Novik does not disclose any means for notifying event handling capability of a managing apparatus at all. The applicants fail to discuss in detail the teachings of Michisa and Recommendation X.734. Since the rejection is merely relying on Novik for an express teaching in the art as to motivation to combine, the examiner fails to see how the remarks comply with the requirements of the rule. See 37 CFR 1.111(b). Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a time period of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. Extensions of this time period may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

**Conclusion**

A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire **three months** from the mail date of this letter. Failure to respond within the period for response will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the application (see 35 U.S.C. 133, M.P.E.P. 710.02, 710.02(b)).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Andrew Caldwell, whose telephone number is (703) 306-3036. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST.

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